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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 5603

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, SHUM, PEPR, AR, US

SUBJECT: FURTHER ARGENTINE REACTION TO EXIM BANK LETTER
TO ALLIS CHALMBERS ON YACYRETA

REF: BUENOS AIRES 5596

1. EVENING PRESS JULY 20 AND RADIO CONTINUED HEAVY PLAY
ON EXIM BANK LETTER TO ALLIS CHALMERS STRESSING THEMES
SET FORTH IN REFTEL.

2. CITING THE MOMENT AS INOPPORTUNE BECAUSE OF THE
FALLOUT OVER THE EXIM BANK'S PRESS PLAY, THE OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENCY JULY 20 CANCELED A LUNCH PLANNED
FOR INCOMING ARA/ECA COUNTRY DIRECTOR RUSER. PRESIDENTIAL
AIDE RICARDO YOFRE, WHO IS A PRINCIPAL ARCHITECT IN
FORMULATING PRESIDENT VIDELA'S PLANS FOR MOVING THE
COUNTRY BACK TOWARD CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT AND WHO HAS
BEEN WORKING WITH US IN MOVING THE GOA TOWARD AGREEMENT
WITH IAHR, WAS IRRITATED ABOUT THE LANGUAGE OF WHAT
PURPORTS TO BE A DEPARTMENT PRESS STATEMENT WHICH APPEARED
IN LA NACION JULY 20 CARRIED BY LATIN NEWS AGENCY FROM
WASHINGTON. YOFRE PARTICULARLY COMPLAINED ABOUT AN INDIRECT
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QUOTE TO THE EFFECT THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION
REGARDING YACYRETA WAS PARTLY DUE TO DENUCIATIONS
RECEIVED OF "UNLIMITED ARRESTS OF POLITICAL DISSIDENTS."
BELIEVING THAT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN HODDING CARTER
MADE THIS STATEMENT, YOFRE INTERPRETED THIS AS MEANING
THE DEPARTMENT WAS TREATING ARGENTINA IN THE SAME LIGHT
AS THE SOVIET UNION, OR WORSE, I.E., AS A CHALLENGE TO

THE LEGITIMACY OF THE VIDELA GOVERNMENT. (YOFRE CALLED
BACK JULY 21 TO SAY THAT THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY
FULLY ENDORSED TODAY'S EDITORIAL IN THE BUENOS
AIRES HERALD - SEPTTEL.)

3. CLARIN OF JULY 21 CARRIED HEADLINE STATING THAT
AMBASSADOR CASTRO HAD BEEN SUMMONED TO FONOFF TO RECEIVE
EXPRESSION OF GOA'S FEELINGS ABOUT THIS CASE (THIS
MEETING REPORTED IN BUENOS AIRES 5588). DURING MORNING
DIRECTOR OF NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS PHONED DCM TO CONVEY
MESSAGE FROM ALLARA TO AMBASSADOR EXPRESSING ALLARA'S
DEEP CONCERN OVER MISSTATEMENTS APPEARING IN CLARIN
WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS NEWSPAPER SPECULATION. IT WAS
CLEAR THAT HIS REFERENCE WAS TO REPORT THAT AMBASSADOR
WAS SUMMONED TO FONOFF RATHER THAN HAVING CALLED AT HIS
OWN INITIATIVE.

4. PRESS SUMMARY BEING SENT SEPTTEL.
CASTRO

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